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RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

The foreign-language documents were cited by the examiner in Applicants' corresponding Japanese application. According to an English translation of the Japanese Patent Office office action, document B2 discloses that a printed advertisement document is given to a customer coming to a shop. Further, the JPO office action states that documents B3-B5 disclose that an advertisement is sent to a portable terminal of a customer. Further, document B6 discloses that a ticket is printed in response to a print request from a portable terminal. Document B7 relates to printing information on the surface of a ticket.

As noted, the characterizations of the Japanese Patent Office noted above are based on an English translation obtained by Applicants' representative. The disclosure of these characterizations should not be construed as an admission of or agreement to the opinions expressed in the Japanese Office Action.

Document B1 and Document B4 claim priority based on the same first-filed application.

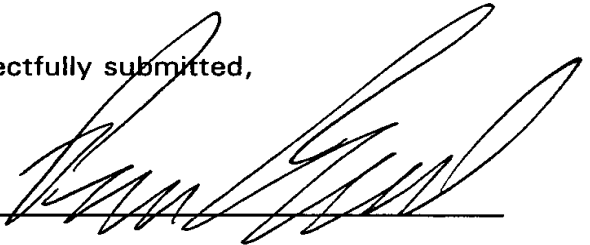
English translations of the foreign-language documents are not readily available. However, the absence of such translations does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider the submitted foreign language documents (37 CFR §1.98 and MPEP §609). English language abstracts are provided herewith.

Applicants respectfully request that any listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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